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SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING
THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

NOTE VERBALE DATED 7 JANUARY 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF PORTUGAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and, with reference to the latter's note of 16 October 1990, has the honour to transmit a report on the measures taken by Portugal in implementation of Security Council resolution 670 (1990).

Annex

Measures taken by Portugal in application of Security Council resolution 670 (1990)

1. The resolution of the Council of Ministers of 27 September 1990 requested the Minister of Public Works, Transportation and Communications to take the necessary measures to ensure the full implementation of Security Council resolution 670 (1990).

2. The Department of Civil Aviation, an entity which reports to the Minister of Public Works, Transportation and Communications, in compliance with the above-mentioned resolution and with paragraph 10 of resolution 670 (1990), issued on 9 September 1990 a set of instructions aimed at the implementation of the relevant paragraphs of that resolution:

(a) The use of Portuguese airports by any aircraft coming from or going to Iraq or Kuwait requires previous authorization from the Department of Civil Aviation, independently of the purpose of the flight or of the aircraft's country of registration;

(b) Any non-scheduled cargo flight going to or originating in Portuguese airports, independently of the aircraft's country of registration, requires also the previous authorization from the Department of Civil Aviation (article 5, Decree-Law No. 274/77 of 4 July, AIP-PORTUGAL Fal 1-21);

(c) The previous authorization of the Department of Civil Aviation is also required for the transport of cargo on non-scheduled flights for passengers going to or originating in Portuguese airports (Decree No. 466/87 of 3 June);

(d) Aircrafts with stop-overs in Iraq or Kuwait are not permitted to overfly Portuguese territory independently of the country of registration or of the nature of the flight, unless the aircraft agrees to land at a national airport for inspection;

(e) In case of the non-observance of the above-mentioned rule, the aircraft should be intercepted and compelled to land, in accordance with the procedures established in section RAC 8 of AIP-PORTUGAL.

3. TAP Air Portugal has complied with the agreed embargo by taking appropriate action. In this connection, the following measures have been taken:

(a) Suspension of the Multilateral Interline Agreements with Kuwait Airlines and Iraqi Airways, relative to passengers and cargo;

(b) Placement on the "black list" of ticket stocks held by TAP's general sales agent in Kuwait;

(c) Cancellation of TAP's operational assistance to Iraqi Airways.